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2012 Best Military Treatment Facility (MTF) Competition

Qualifying Sixteen Announced



Congratulations to the 2012 Best Military Treatment Facility (MTF) Qualifying Sixteen Finalists or the “sweet sixteen” as they are affectionately known as in the Army Medicine Family.

This grueling competition began nearly a year ago with the commencement of the 2nd Annual Business Operations (BizOps) Bowl. And now, the coveted **2012 MEDCOM Commander’s Cup** is within reach of sixteen finalists who will compete in “Round 1” of the BEST MTF Competition to be held on Tuesday, October 9, 2012, at

the MTF locations. The final three rounds will be held in Wood Auditorium at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, on Monday, October 29, 2012.

The 2012 finalists represent five Regional Medical Commands (RMCs) spanning three continents. The contenders: Fort Huachuca, Fort Lee, Fort Sill, Fort Shafter, Fort Gordon, Bavaria, Fort Lewis/JBLM, Fort Campbell, Allgood-Seoul, Fort Carson, Fort Riley, Fort Rucker, Fort Leavenworth, Camp Zama, Fort Leonard Wood, and Fort Polk.

Established as a command-wide marathon of MTF business operations knowledge and practice, and appropriately nicknamed the Biz Bowl, this MTF challenge focuses on business operations performance measurement and on MTF Team performance in a business operations knowledge-based competition. Often united by the challenges presented by dynamic healthcare environments, Commanders and MTF staffs are now embroiled in an aggressive pursuit to demonstrate their business operations achievement, measurement, and improvement that will ultimately maximize Army Medicine equities.

All compete but only 16 MTFs will progress to qualifying rounds. In order to qualify, an MTF's business operations performance must demonstrate high achievement across the Noble Nine metrics, or be recognized as one of two MTFs with the Most Improved Performance in those same metrics. MTF Commanders and staffs push to improve their site's business operations capabilities. Continuously refining their business operations methods on site, MTFs work tirelessly to be among the 16 contenders whose 4-member MTF Teams will face each other in this fierce competition.

The Best MTF Competition includes four academic events or rounds culminating in the Red Zone event. The Qualifying 16 will now enter Round 1, the Written Exam.

The highest scoring MTF Teams of Round 1 will travel to luxurious Fort Sam Houston, Texas, to compete in a series of live, head-to-head academic match-ups starting with Round 2, the Scholar Bowl. The winners of each Scholar Bowl match-up will move to Round 3, the Case Study. Teams will prepare and defend their analyses and recommendations in front of an august panel of senior health care executives. Two finalists will emerge victorious from the Case Study competition and will go head to head in Round 4 -**The Red Zone**. The winner of Round 4 will be distinguished as the **2012 Best MTF** with all of the requisite bragging rights.

The 2011 Champion, Bavaria MEDDAC, in Vilseck, Germany, edged out Fort Stewart to win the title of 2011 Biz Ops Bowl. Bavaria MEDDAC has once again qualified to compete and its team is gearing up to successfully defend the MTF's title.

REGION	Best MTF Sweet Sixteen Finalists (Alphabetized by Region)
ERMC	BAVARIA MEDDAC
NRMC	KENNER AHC-FT. LEE
PRMC	BRIAN ALLGOOD ACH-SEOUL
PRMC	TRIPLER AMC-FT SHAFTER
PRMC	BG CRAWFORD SAMS AHC-CAMP ZAMA
SRMC	BLANCHFIELD ACH-FT. CAMPBELL
SRMC	BAYNE-JONES ACH-FT. POLK
SRMC	REYNOLDS ACH-FT. SILL
SRMC	LYSTER AHC-FT. RUCKER
SRMC	EISENHOWER AMC-FT. GORDON
WRMC	MUNSON AHC-FT. LEAVENWORTH
WRMC	R W BLISS AHC-FT. HUACHUCA
WRMC	EVANS ACH-FT. CARSON
WRMC	IRWIN ACH-FT. RILEY
WRMC	MADIGAN AMC-FT. LEWIS
WRMC	L. WOOD ACH-FT. LEONARD WOOD

